# **Achieving Washington's Promise**

#### **GOVERNOR'S PRIORITIES**

Help every child succeed in school
Make quality college education available for all
Improve community and school safety
Shift welfare savings to education and employment programs
Better state services for taxpayers
Boost rural economies

#### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

#### Help Every Child Succeed in School

Funding is provided to hire more teachers, boost student achievement, help struggling students, and make schools safer. Higher salaries attract and retain the best teachers. Reading Corps helps younger students meet reading standards.

## A Quality College Education for All

Washington's Promise Scholarships help high-achieving high school students in middle-class families go on to college. University and college enrollment is expanded. Workforce training increases skilled graduates in high-demand fields. Research targets economic growth, technology development.

# Shift Welfare Savings to Education and Employment Programs

➤ Through education and employment programs, children and low-income families will realize a better economic future.

#### School and Community Safety

▶ New, alternative schools for disruptive students provided. Public safety enhanced by adding State Patrol troopers, shutting down meth labs, and tightening supervision of convicted felons after their release.

#### **Better State Services for Taxpayers**

➤ Shorter lines in driver licensing offices, online tax filing via the Internet, and reinvesting state agency savings in education are a few of the items designed to give taxpayers better value for their money.

## **Boosting Rural Economies**

➤ Rural communities benefit from funding for infrastructure, tourism, and tax incentives to expand job opportunities, particularly in booming information-technology fields.